Louisa Chandler Moulton
We lay us down to sleep
And leave to God the rest,
Whether to wake and weep

The Case Against Volsteadism

Six—For years I have been a strong advocate of temperance. I still am. It is just as bad for one to overdrink as to overeat. Prior to prohibition, had I passessed the deciding vote on the subject, that yote would have been for prohibition, because I sincerely believed that it would be a good thing for all of us and that it would be a simple matter to enter the subject of the sub

forced against my will to somewhat change my opinion. This change has not come from arguments of others, but from what I have actually seen and heard.

The last few years I have been sure in the Evening Public Ledger:

Sir—Will you please publish in your form Louisa Chandler Moulton's lines,

We Lay Us Down to Sleep," and oblige,

Philadelphia, July 28, 1922,

WE LAY US TOWN.

Please understand that I am not peaking in favor of the evils of liquor. but against them and against imprac-ticable intemperate laws. There is more, a creat deal more, frunkenness than formerly. From Cherry street to Buttonwood street and Cherry street to lluftonwood street and from Third street to Twelfth street it is very apparent, for here the drinking is done in speak-easies and in alleys. I have seen as many as ten in this district lying on deersteps and cellar doors or just about able to stagger in one block. They do not seem to be as happy as formerly, but either mouddin, fighting mad or unconscious. The police tell me that when it is impossible to may me that when it is impossible to move them on they "call the wagen." but instead of locking them up they are rushed to the hospital to save their lives. The cause is, of course, moonshine—one of the by-products of the Volstead act.

In the more prosperous parts of the elty one will not see so many drunks. Here the man of the house takes home a quart or two of the same mixture and the family consumes it indoors. In the homes of our leading men there is either a well-stocked cellar or it is delivered by high-class bootleggers in many gallon lots. The other day an old man begged me for five cent, and when I gave it to him he confessed that he needed it to buy some denutured alcohol. He will

Not live long,
Again I was sollelted on the street by a man who was probably about twenty-five but looked forty. He said that he used to drink beer, but that since that was taken away he has become a "snow bird"—by which he meant a drug addict.

Prohibitionists, were have done this:
You have increased drunkenness. You have eigented alcohol drunkers out of beer drinkers. You have helped fill our jails and insure unders. You have helped fill our jails and insure unders. You have the transfermed millions of beenes into distilleries. You have made us a Nation of moonshiners. You have made us a Nation of law breakers. You have abolished about Jaio sulcons in Philadelphia and created about 10,000 suchkeasies. You were deathfless sincers in your views some years ago, but now that we all see the positions are we to but your heads in the said like so many estrances and reiterate; "Nevertheless, hear is just as bad as which. All liquer is bad"? This is which the bestingers want us to say. Helicro me, they would hate to see good heer on the market.

Philadelphia, August 7, 1922,

Why Bolshevism Must Fail To the Editor of the E - Hay Pahlie Ledger: Sir-Bolshevism, as we understand it, spells communism, and any atopior scheme aiming to alleviate poverty changing our social and economic life, is very alluring and can always find disciples or followers.

At different times communism has been tried on a small scale and has met with some success, but just as soon as the community accumulated property trouble began.

Curtailment of production is abselutely necessary in a communistic so-clety, hence the desire for shorter hours by the advocates of this system. cess. Then there was no complex social or economic condition to combat and overthrow, simply a growing up with a social state. The patriarchal family life of biblical times was of this nature, and in more recent times our North American Indian lived on the communical mistic plan-so communism seems to be a reversion to savagery, and if not savcivilized state lagats, it might be a very dangerous condition.

FRANK MEADE.

Philadelphia, August S.

The Old Men's Parliament To the Editor of the Evening Public Lidgers Sir-When living for a time near the Aintree race course at Liverpool, Eng-Aintree race course at Liverbook, Lingland, I made the acquaintance of a
man who often teld me of the doings
of an old men's parliament.

It seems that his wife's father, along
with ten or more old men in the neighborhood, would nevel every pleasant day
in a small man there is no These in a small park their their lame. The old men were living out their lives ting rid of these querulous old men for a short or louger time, necording to

would give their opinions pro and I was informed that thank resolves end "It is the sen-e of the meeting."
etc., were passed and ent to the gennine Parliament. But it never came to me that any action was taken to put in effect these old men's deliberations. After reading my daily paper and noting the doings of this present-day generation, I think of the old men's parliament. And it doth at pear that many of the "it is the sense of this meeting," etc., get no further than the resolves of the old men's partiament.

R. E. HOTCHKISS.

Vineland, N. J., Aug. 7, 1922.

Questions Answered

Yes, We Have Our F. F.'s To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger. ke to get a little insight into social con VIRGINIA.

Or wake no more be best, Why vex our souls with care?
The grave is cool and low—
Have we found life so fair
That we should dread to go?

We've kissed love's sweet red lips, And left them sweet and red; The rose the wild bee sips! Blooms on when he is dead. Some faithful friends we've found. But they who love us best; When we are under ground. Will laugh on with the rest,

No task have we begun,
But other bands can take;
No work beneath the sun.
For which we need to wake. Then hold us fast, sweet Death, if so it seemeth bast:
To Him who gave us breath,
That we should so to rest,

We lay us down to sleep, Our weary eyes to close! Whether to wake and weep, Or wake no more He knows.

"Friendship" To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir-Please print the short poem friendship written by R. R. Greenwood, and oblige. READER OF FORUM. Philadelphia, July 28, 1922.

FRIENDSHIP By R. R. Greenwood Old friendships that have stood the test

years
And not grown dim
Are like the miracles with which our God endears
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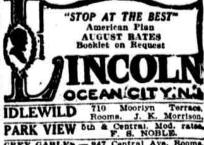
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